

Best Practice Site
Teaching Students with Disabilities in Reading/Writing

Region	Western
Schools	McDowell County Schools
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Instructional Location(s)	East McDowell Junior High School 676 State Street Marion, NC 28752 828-652-7711 West McDowell Junior High School 346 West McDowell Junior High School Marion, NC 28752 828-652-3390 Eastfield Elementary School 170 Eastfield School Road

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Marion, NC 28752
828-652-3730

Glenwood Elementary School
1545 Old Highway 221 S
Marion, NC 28752
828-738-4220

Marion Elementary School
209 Robert Street
Marion, NC 28752
828-652-2141

Nebo Elementary School
254 Nebo School Road
Nebo, NC 28761
828-652-4737

North Cove Elementary School
324 North Cove School Rd
Marion, NC 28752
828-756-4342

Old Fort Elementary School
128 Mauney Av
Old Fort, NC 28762
828-668-7646

Pleasant Gardens Elementary School
100 John Roach Dr
Marion, NC 28752
828-742-4422

West Marion Elementary School
820 Marler Rd
Marion, NC 28752
828-738-3353

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Purpose and Goals

As described in the NCSIP Grant our goals are to:

1. Improve basic skills performance for students with disabilities;
2. Increase the percentage of qualified teachers of students with disabilities;
3. Increase graduation rates and decrease drop-out rates of students with disabilities;
4. Improve parent satisfaction with, and support of, school services.

Description Of Students

The students included in our program are those with disabilities served in regular, resource and separate settings. The students receiving instruction under the grant qualify for eligibility in the Exceptional Children's program in the following areas: BED, EMD, SLD, OHI. and other exceptional classifications as listed in the grant.

Description of Instructional Model

The elementary schools and junior high schools use several different programs at their schools. In McDowell County programs that are used include Reading Mastery, Corrective Reading, Language! 3rd ed., Language for Learning, Language for Thinking, Language for Writing, Letterland, and Saxon Phonics. The instructional settings for the program are self-contained classroom; resource/ pullout; regular class, sub-group instruction; and regular class, whole class instruction.

Designated Teachers

East McDowell Junior High School

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Jennifer Hoover
Jeanet Wilson
Amanda Venturella
Paige Melton

West McDowell Junior High School

AnnMarie McDaniel
Sherrie Reid
Karen Hall

Eastfield Elementary School

Tracy Pyatt
Myra Morgan
Leesa Robinson
Teresa Duncan

Glenwood Elementary School

Tima Williams
Amy Price
Amber Ellis
Beth Silver
Kathy Kaylor

Marion Elementary School

Susan Cole
Denise Broerman
Jill Ward
Sherry Dixon
Debbie Wilson

Nebo Elementary School

Tammy Gaddis
Deborah Franklin
Marianne Plain
Stella Brewer

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North Cove Elementary School

Dan Carroll
Ellen Mace

Old Fort Elementary School

Courtenay Constable
Karen Moore
Bonita Vess
Chana Hari

Pleasant Gardens Elementary School

Cary Poteat
Tori Riggi
Iris Lawing
Ashley Thornton

West Marion Elementary School

Bob McDaniel
Lee Lynch
Judy Bragg
Sheena Hilton